

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A communication apparatus having a function of transmitting/receiving e-mail, comprising:

communication partner information storage means  
5 for storing communication partner information having predetermined registration items;

identifier detecting means for detecting a predetermined identifier from received e-mail; and

registering means for registering information  
10 described in the e-mail in accordance with the detected identifier into that registration item of the communication partner information which corresponds to the identifier.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, further  
15 comprising identifier determining means for determining whether the identifier is valid,

wherein if the identifier is found to be invalid, said registering means does not register information described in the e-mail in accordance with the  
20 identifier.

3. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising registration designating means by which a user designates registration by said registering means,

wherein said registering means registers only  
25 information whose registration is designated by said registration designating means.

4. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

extracting means for extracting the communication partner information stored in said communication

5 partner information storage means; and

mail generating means for generating e-mail data having a body in which pieces of information constituting the extracted communication partner information are described in one-to-one correspondence  
10 with identifiers corresponding the registration items in which these pieces of information are registered.

5. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the information described in the e-mail in accordance with the detected identifier is described subsequently to  
15 the detected identifier.

6. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the registration items include at least two of the name, name reading, telephone number, and e-mail address of a communication partner.

20 7. A control method of a communication apparatus which comprises communication partner information storage means for storing communication partner information having predetermined registration items, and which has a function of transmitting/receiving  
25 e-mail, comprising:

the identifier detection step of detecting a predetermined identifier from received e-mail; and

the registration step of registering information described in the e-mail in accordance with the detected identifier into that registration item of the communication partner information which corresponds to  
5 the identifier.

8. The method according to claim 7, further comprising the identifier determination step of determining whether the identifier is valid,

wherein if the identifier is found to be invalid,  
10 the registration step does not register information described in the e-mail in accordance with the identifier.

9. The method according to claim 7, wherein the registration step comprises registering only  
15 information whose registration is designated by the user of said communication apparatus.

10. The method according to claim 7, further comprising:

the extraction step of extracting the  
20 communication partner information stored in said communication partner information storage means; and

the mail generation step of generating e-mail data having a body in which pieces of information constituting the extracted communication partner  
25 information are described in one-to-one correspondence with identifiers corresponding the registration items in which these pieces of information are registered.

11. The method according to claim 7, wherein the information described in the e-mail in accordance with the detected identifier is described subsequently to the detected identifier.

5 12. The method according to claim 7, wherein the registration items include at least two of the name, name reading, telephone number, and e-mail address of a communication partner.

10 13. A control program of a communication apparatus which comprises communication partner information storage means for storing communication partner information having predetermined registration items, and which has a function of transmitting/receiving e-mail, comprising:

15 a program of the identifier detection step of detecting a predetermined identifier from received e-mail; and

a program of the registration step of registering information described in the e-mail in accordance with  
20 the detected identifier into that registration item of the communication partner information which corresponds to the identifier.

14. A computer-readable storage medium storing the control program of a communication apparatus according  
25 to claim 13.